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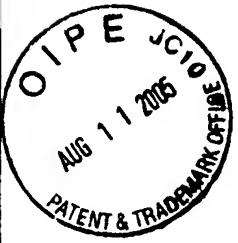
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This information is cited in a spirit of forthrightness and cooperation to enable the applicants to obtain that measure of protection for the invention to which there is

entitlement. However, no representation is made that the listed art actually qualifies as prior art under the patent statute. No representation is made that Applicants know of the best art.

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1	6,344,144	02/05/2002	Long et al.		
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	10	Harmon et al., April 24, 2002, "An Economical, Effective System For Solids Removal And BOD Reduction In Food-Animal Waste Treatment Plants," Fats & Proteins Research Foundation Spring Meetings, Vancouver, B.C., Canada, pp. 1-29.	

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